



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Jean-Claude CHERMANN et al.

Title: VACCINE AGAINST INFECTIOUS AGENTS HAVING AN

INTRACELLULAR PHASE, COMPOSITION FOR THE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF HIV INFECTIONS,

ANTIBODIES AND METHOD OF DIAGNOSIS

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated July 14, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

A Notice of Appeal was filed on October 14, 2003. Applicants enclose with this amendment a four-month Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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